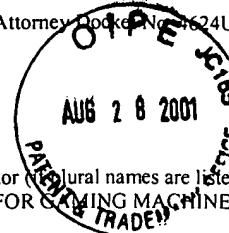




## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION (WITH POWER OF ATTORNEY)

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

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 was filed on May 24, 2001 as United States application serial no. 09/864,927 and was amended on .  
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